

Amateurs Run Wild On Bases---Junior Tennis Players In Doubles Finals Today

WEAK THROWING IS RESPONSIBLE FOR MANY BASE THEFTS

Amateur Catchers Fail to Hold Up Pitchers and Runners Pile Up Steals.

AVERAGE SIX PER CONTEST

Foresters and Bureau Go Eight Innings to a 6 to 6 Tie.

By BRYAN MORSE.

Amateur league catchers are allowing the players to steal all sorts of bases this season judging from the daily records of thefts turned in by the official scorers. Many a catcher is at loss these days to know just where to lay the blame. The pitchers hold runners fairly safe on the initial sack, but either are so slow in their deliveries that the runners go down almost unmolested or the catchers fail to hop the ball down to the midway sack in time to head off the stealers.

Several of the catchers have done exceptionally fine work in cutting down runners. In the games where the scores are small the catchers have much to do with keeping down run getting in their accuracy in shooting the ball in ahead of the runner.

Frazier, Goebel, Giovannetti, Brewer, Strait, Phillips, and Doleman have had fewer bases stolen than the majority of catchers in the various leagues. The article of baseball in generally demonstrated by the stolen bases and in this respect the Departmental League is among the leaders.

Seven bases were pilfered in the Potomac League yesterday in a Rutgers game, but four were recorded for Departmental League players, the Government circuit catchers let eight get bases unmolested. In the Northern West Sunday School League Doleman and Monroe each had a base stolen off them.

Eleven bases were stolen in one game in the Terminal Railroad Y. M. C. A. League, nine went on the books in the Catholic Church League, while eleven were stolen in the Holy Name circuit.

Bureau, leading the Government League at present, was forced to a tie game by the rejuvenated Foresters yesterday, Ryan going in against the leaders with great success. The game went eight innings to a 6 to 6 draw. Ryan's work was creditable in that allowing twelve hits he kept them scattered. Foresters came up from behind in the final round, scored two runs and got a tie. Bureau was out. Ryan got two of his team's hits.

Eddie Thompson, of Immanuel, held the Whitney team completely at his mercy throughout the Sunday School League battle. Thompson fanned five batters, and had fine control. But four hits were made off his delivery. Doleman, who pitched for the winners, Hall, who succeeded Phillips on the mound for Whitney, fanned eleven Immanuel batters.

Treasury got loose against the Printers yesterday in the Departmental League, and whanged the leaders in three. The game went but six innings. Anderson, playing center for the money counters, went up four times and got four hits. Bell, pitching for the Treasury, allowed three hits and fanned nine. Crahan took up the flunking for Treasury when a big lead was obtained and made a good showing.

Car Department made four runs in the first inning, and the General Office team failed to come through in the Railroad Y. M. C. A. game, losing by 4 to 2. Car was lucky in getting the breaks, as but four hits were made. General Office made eight safeties, but could not get in the running. Forest Thompson, pitcher for the losers, got the better sort of breaks, although Risdon, who opposed him for Car, did fine work.

Traffic, of the Southern Railway, defeated Law 15 to 6 in seven innings. Leiberstar started for Traffic, while Corne and Robinson played stellar ball for Law. Norman St. John pitched the three innings for Law, and performed creditably. Six batters were fanned, and but three safeties were made.

A triple play was recorded in the Potomac League yesterday. Congress Heights turning the trick. Ralph Blanton threw Versteine out at first, Hoffman threw to Brewer at the plate, and Harvey, coming home, was apparently safe. Brewer failing to touch him, Hasselstab attempted to throw Harvey across the plate, and when Cassidy came from third and put the ball on Harvey, Empire Weaver ruled the play out for not touching the plate. Congress Heights got the long end of an 8 to 6 score.

The Del Ray baseball club would like to arrange games for the 4th and 5th of July, to be played at Del Ray, Va. A twenty minute ride from Washington. Would like to hear from some of the strong teams in Washington and vicinity. Address G. Duncanson, R. F. D. No. 2, Alexandria, Va., or phone 2. H. Trimmer, Main 518, Washington, before Saturday, July 3, between 10 and 4.30.

Shawkey Refuses to Play With Yankees

BUFFALO, N. Y., July 2.—Pitcher Bob Shawkey, until recently of the Philadelphia Athletics, may wear a Buffalo (Federal League) uniform in a few days. Shawkey, who has been ordered to report to the New York Americans, has refused to play with that team. He resents being shifted from team to team. Shawkey is now at his home at Sheffield, Pa. From there last night he said over the telephone that the Buffalo club had made him a good offer, which is now under consideration. President W. E. Robertson, when questioned regarding the deal, would neither affirm nor deny the report that any

DISTRICT JUNIOR TENNIS CHAMPION



DEAN HOWARD,

Of Chevy Chase, who won from a field of sixty-four tennis players in the title event fought out on the courts of the Dumbarton Club this week.

DOUBLES FINALS ON AT DUMBARTON CLUB

Baker and Howard Meet Williams and McVay for Junior Title.

James S. Baker and Dean Howard will play James Williams and Charles McVay today at the Dumbarton Club in doubles for the junior championship of the District. Howard is the junior champion in singles, having won the title yesterday from Harold Falconer. Baker and Howard defeated Seldon and Le Fevre, the Central High School cracks, yesterday afternoon in a fine three-set match in the semifinal round, while McVay and Williams took three sets to defeat Dorch and Eppelsheimer in the morning.

Seldon and Le Fevre were expected to win out over Baker and Howard, who were forced to a three-set match yesterday by Hughes and Miller, the Georgetown team. Baker and Howard took the first set at 6-2, dropped the second by 3-6, and went after the third, winning by 6 to 1.

Howard and Baker are expected to come through in their match with Williams and McVay today. Howard's win of the singles title makes him the favorite today, as McVay and Williams had never played together until before the tourney.

Thorp May Be Coach Of Columbia Eleven

NEW YORK, July 2.—Tom Thorp is the likely choice for Columbia football coach. He has been asked to name his terms by Francis M. Bangs of the athletic committee and has had an interview with Dr. Meylan, the physical director of the university. No decision has been arrived at yet. It is generally understood that Hamilton Fish, who originally was willing to accept the task, will have the full weight of the team of former college players he has organized. One game will be played by Fish's eleven against Rutgers at the Polo Grounds, next fall and several others are in prospect.

Vic Kennard, a member of the ex-collegians, has offered to spend some time coaching the Columbia kickers. Thorp's plan, if he is chosen coach, is to have Fish's men conduct their training with Columbia and thus furnish much valuable practice on both offense and defense.

BROOKLANDERS MAKE BID FOR BIG GAMES

Hold Meet in Connection With Lawn Fete and Hang Up Records.

Brookland Athletic Club athletes are expecting to duplicate some of their performances in the Independence Day games Monday following the track meet held as a part of the annual lawn fete which is being held at Brookland during the week.

A good bunch has been entered in the games Monday. Yesterday's events brought out a large following, and the times made were exceptional.

The events were: 100-yard dash, open handicap—Won by John Mahoney. Time, 0:10.15. 100-yard dash, open handicap—Won by B. C. Washington. Time, 0:09.15. One-mile run—Won by M. Bauer. Time, 4:31.

22-yard dash, open handicap—Won by X. Tansill. Time, 0:22.15. Running broad jump—Won by B. C. Washington (20 feet 10 inches). Shot-put—Won by B. C. Washington (22 feet 7 inches).

Standing broad jump—Won by John Mahoney (9 feet 7 inches). The following men "ran" for track: B. C. Washington, J. Mahoney, X. Tansill, W. Louthan, M. Bauer, and F. Flood. Thomas L. Curran and J. Bohner had charge of the events at Brookland yesterday.

Penn Will Not Allow Nickalls to Resign

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., July 2.—The University of Pennsylvania Rowing Committee will not consider the resignation of Vivian Nickalls, the rowing master, and he will be asked to fill the remaining term of his contract, which expires in the fall of 1916.

The English coach sent in his resignation early in the spring, when the second call to arms came in England. The solons at Penn kept him back, and Nickalls, learning that he was past the age limit, forty years, decided to remain, but said he would retire after the Poughkeepsie regatta. Consequently he asked the Rowing Committee to release him. The committee to a man thinks that Nickalls has the system, and that only wretched luck killed his chances this year, and they will not permit him to resign this season. They will not even consider the matter at the meeting of the committee.

Billy Chickering, the captain of the Red and Blue crews, is anxious to have the big Englishman re-engaged, for he exonerates Nickalls completely from all blame for the poor showing made by the Pennsylvania crews in the Poughkeepsie regatta.

International League.

Newark, 3; Richmond, 6. Rochester, 7; Montreal, 3 (first game). Montreal, 3; Rochester, 7 (second game). Buffalo, 5; Toronto, 7 (first game). Toronto, 4; Buffalo, 3 (second game).

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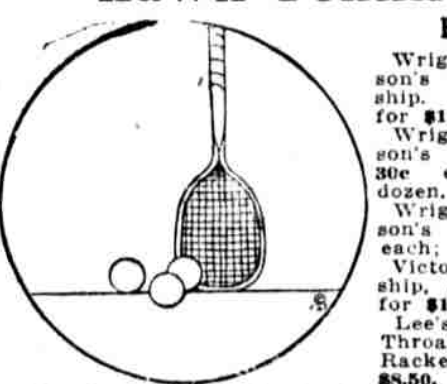
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Amateur Games.

GAMES TODAY.
Potomac—Machinists vs. Fairlawn.
Southern Railway—Real Estate vs. Bookkeepers.
Departmental—Interior vs. Commissioners.
Rosedale—Rosedale vs. St. Paul's.
E. Wash. S. S.—Reformation vs. Keller.
R. R. Y. M. C. A. (Morning)—Baggage vs. Car Department.
R. R. Y. M. C. A. (Evening)—Union Station vs. Southern Auditors.
Northwest Sunday School—Central vs. Brights.
Government—Marines vs. Commerce.
Catholic Church—St. Margaret's vs. Sacred Heart.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.
Potomac—Congress Heights, 5; G. H. I. 6.
Departmental—Treasury, 17; Printers, 2.
Catholic Church—Holy Name, 9; St. Joseph, 5.
R. R. Y. M. C. A.—Car Department, 4; General Office, 2.
R. R. Y. M. C. A.—Transportation, 15; Shop, 14.
N. W. Sunday School—Immanuel, 8; Whitney, 2.
Government—Foresters, 6; Bureau, 6.
Holy Name—St. Joseph, 11; St. Aloisius, 8.
Trinity, 21; St. Vincent, 6.
Home Club—Patent, 11; Survey, 2.

KING IS LOST TO PRINCETON SPORTS

Sylvan (Murphy) King, considered by many the best football player developed in Washington scholastic ranks in a decade, is lost to Princeton athletics.

Last fall King entered Princeton and completed his freshman year, playing on the class football and baseball teams. So much impressed were experts who saw the Tiger cubs in action that it was freely predicted that the younger King would leave a reputation favorably comparing with that of his uncle, Phil King, who is claimed as Princeton's greatest quarterback of all times. King participated in the spring practice which closed a few weeks ago, and it was conceded that he was slated for the varsity next fall either as a lineman or for one of the backfield positions.

However, King has decided to terminate his connection with Princeton and is at his home here ready to enter business. While at Central High School King played on the basketball and football teams in each of his four years, being captain when in his senior year. He was a first baseman, tackle and fullback, earning his greatest successes in the last named position.

OFFICERS ELECTED FOR SWIMMING CLUB

Annual Long Distance Race, August 7, Will Be Open to All Athletes.

At the annual meeting of the Washington Swimming Club, held at Krazy Kamp, on the Potomac, the following officers were elected to carry on the affairs of that organization for the ensuing year: Reginald Rutherford, president; F. C. Bamman, vice president; James W. Burch, secretary and treasurer; Everett B. Ansley, captain of team, and the three additional members of the board chosen were Messrs. J. M. Cutts, R. O. Ellason, and H. T. Knight, Jr.

Sidney Cousins and R. S. Stens were elected members of the club, while F. J. Brunner was unanimously chosen to be kept on the honorary list. For the past five years Mr. Brunner's services to the club as amateur coach were very valuable, and he will be urged to remain in that position.

It was decided to hold the annual long distance swim, which is usually held over the course of the Potomac river from Chain Bridge to Aqueduct Bridge, on the 7th of August, and this year this event will be made open to any swimmer in the country. There will be a special prize awarded to first District of Columbia man to finish, he to be considered the District champion. Practically all of the W. S. C. swimmers are entered in the District championships to take part the 5th of July, and keen interest has already arisen as to the results.

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